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SUBJECT: OPERATION TORDO- JOINT POLAR CUSP EXPERIMENTS

REF: A. OTTAWA 3149; B. STATE 219653; C. STATE 215290

1. MEETING WITH GOC OFFICIALS AND LASL REPS OCTOBER 10 WAS HELPFUL IN INFORMING GOC OFFICIALS OF PURPOSE AND REQUIREMENTS OF OPERATION TORDO AND IN CLARIFYING ANY MISUNDERSTANDINGS THAT MAY HAVE DEVELOPED IN THE PRELIMINARY PLANNING STAGES FOR THIS PROJECT. WITH REFERENCE TO PARA 4 OF REFTTEL (A) AND PARA 1 OF RETEL (B), EXTAFF OFFICIAL ADVISED LASL REPS THAT DIRECT CONTACTS BETWEEN LASL REPS AND GOC OFFICIALS MAY BE RESUMED AND CONTINUE ON CONDITION THAT THE GOC BE KEPT INFORMED, IN PARALLEL, VIA REGULAR CHANNELS BETWEEN THE EMBASSY AND EXTAFF.

2. FROM DISCUSSIONS AT THE MEETING, THERE APPEAR TO BE NO REMAINING MAJOR PROBLEMS IN OBTAINING THE REQUIRED GOC CLEARANCES. COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT REP GRANTED VERBAL APPROVAL FOR USE OF THE RADIO FREQUENCIES REQUESTED. DIRECT CONTACT POINTS BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS AND THE USAEC HAVE ALSO BEEN DESIGNATED. LIABILITY AGREEMENT REMAINS TO BE WORKED OUT AS REQUESTED IN THE EMBASSY'S NOTE (REF C), EITHER AS A PART OF THE GOC FORMAL REPLY, OR AS A SEPARATE DOCUMENT.

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EM BECAUSE COMMUNICATIONS COULD NOT BE ASSURED FROM ALERT AT THAT TIME OF YEAR, IT WAS DECIDED THAT USE OF THIS STATION WOULD NOT BE FEASIBLE.

4. FINALLY, THE NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL (NRC) REQUESTED THAT ANY PRESS RELEASES BY US AGENCIES BE COORDINATED WITH THE NRC.
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